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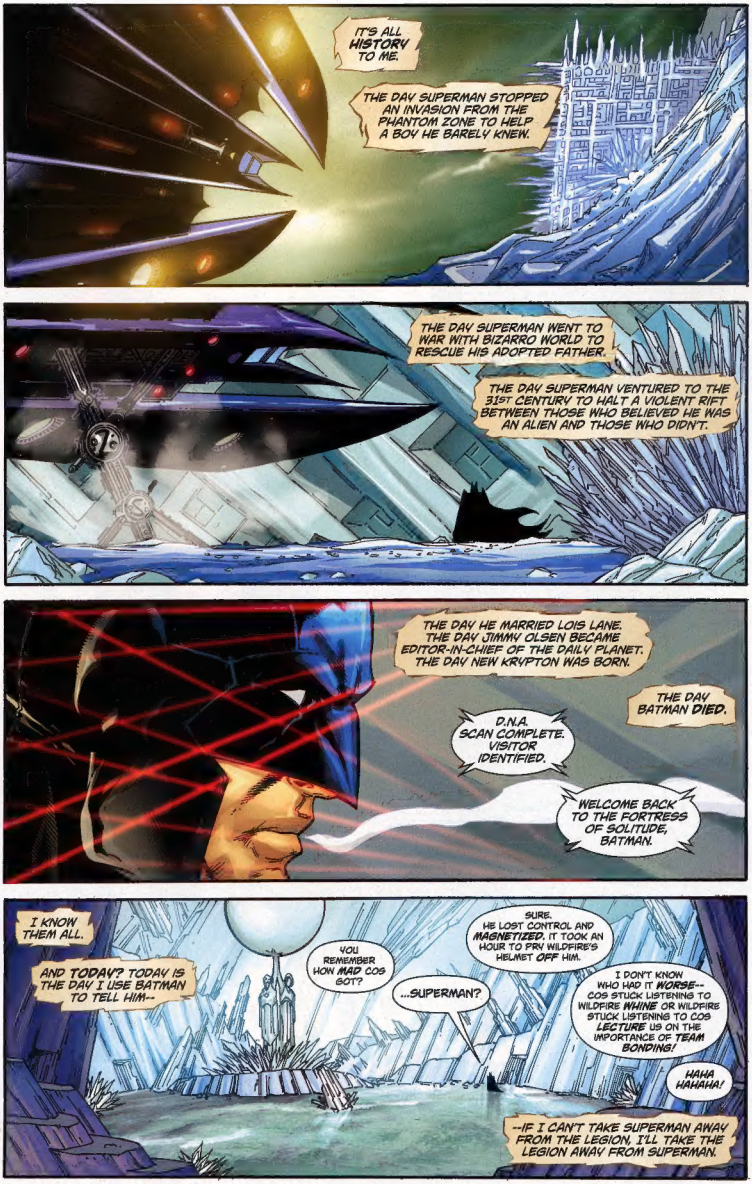
IT'S ALL HISTORY TO ME.
THE DAY SUPERMAN STOPPED AN INVASION FROM THE PHANTOM ZONE TO HELP A BOY HE BARELY KNEW.
THE DAY SUPERMAN WENT TO WAR WITH BIZARRO WORLD TO RESCUE HIS ADOPTED FATHER.
THE DAY SUPERMAN VENTURED TO THE 31ST CENTURY TO HALT A VIOLENT RIFT BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVED HE WAS AN ALIEN AND THOSE WHO DIDN'T.
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THE DAY BATMAN DIED.
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WELCOME BACK TO THE FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE, BATMAN.
I KNOW THEM ALL.
AND TODAY? TODAY IS THE DAY I USE BATMAN TO TELL HIM--
YOU REMEMBER HOW MAD COS GOT?
...SUPERMAN?
SURE. HE LOST CONTROL AND MAGNETIZED. IT TOOK AN HOUR TO PRY WILDFIRE'S HELMET OFF HIM.
I DON'T KNOW WHO HAD IT WORSE-- COS STUCK LISTENING TO WILDFIRE WHINE OR WILDFIRE STUCK LISTENING TO COS LECTURE US ON THE IMPORTANCE OF TEAM BONDING!
HAHA HAHAHA!
--IF I CAN'T TAKE SUPERMAN AWAY FROM THE LEGION, I'LL TAKE THE LEGION AWAY FROM SUPERMAN.

I LEARNED THAT LESSON TRYING TO RID REALITY OF THE BOY OF STEEL.
REGRESSING WITH OLD FRIENDS, I SEE.
LAUGHING ABOUT OLD TIMES.
I'VE ATTACKED HEAD ON, CONFUSED THEM WITH POCKET DIMENSIONS AND ALTERNATE HISTORY.
BUT REMOVING HIM NEVER LASTS LONG.
LIGHTNING LAD.
OF THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. I REMEMBER. IT'S BEEN AWHILE SINCE WE...MET, HASN'T IT?
I WAS JUST EXCAVATING YOUR CAVE A FEW WEEKS AGO. MY TIME. YOU STILL FLYING THAT BAT-SHIP?
WHY YOU'VE NEVER ASKED TO BORROW KAL'S FLIGHT RING, I DON'T KN--
BATPLANE.
--OH, HEY, KAL, DO YOU REMEMBER THE TIME WE REWIRED BRAINY'S RING TO FLY IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION HE WILLED IT TO?
HE NEVER FORGAVE YOU FOR THAT.
YEAH! AND IT WAS YOUR IDEA!
AS MUCH AS I'D LOVE TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR ADVENTURES OF YOUTHFUL DELINQUENCY IN THE 31ST CENTURY, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH SUPERMAN.
I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE DARK KNIGHT IN ANY OF THIS.
PRIVATELY.
NOT ANYMORE.

KAL AND I WERE KICKING INTERGALACTIC TERRORISTS IN THE BUTT BEFORE ROBIN WAS BORN.
WHATEVER YOU NEED TO SAY IN FRONT OF HIM YOU CAN SAY IN FRONT OF ME.
RIGHT, KAL?
GIVE ME A MINUTE, GARTH.
I NEVER GOT WHAT YOU SAW IN "BATMAN." HE WEARS A MASK, FOR GRIFE'S SAKE.
NO ONE WEARS A MASK WHERE I COME FROM.
NOT EVEN THE BAD GUYS.
TECHNICALLY, THE PERSUADER DOES--
YOU WEREN'T ANSWERING YOUR JUSTICE LEAGUE COMMUNICATOR.
SORRY. I SPENT THE LAST RELATIVE WEEK OF MY LIFE IN THE 31ST CENTURY. I HAVEN'T BEEN GONE FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR. JUST LIKE THE OLD DAYS--
FORGET THE OLD DAYS, CLARK.
THE LAST TIME THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES SHOWED UP THEY LIED TO US. THEY WARNED US OF AN ENEMY THAT NEVER CAME.
IN THE END, THEY HELPED WALLY WEST RETURN AND THEN LEFT WITHOUT GIVING YOU, THEIR "BEST" FRIEND, A GOODBYE.
WHY?
WHY, BRUCE? BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT THEY DIDN'T NEED SUPERMAN.

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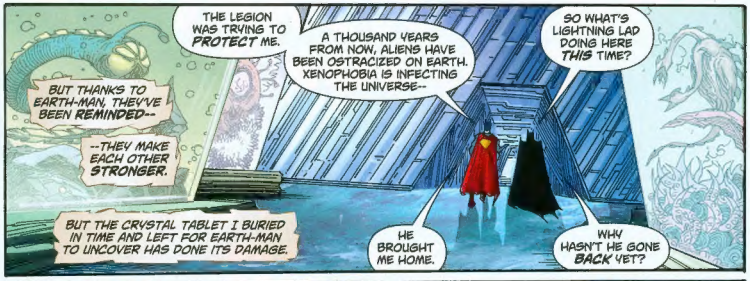
THE LEGION WAS TRYING TO PROTECT ME.
A THOUSAND YEARS FROM NOW, ALIENS HAVE BEEN OSTRACIZED ON EARTH. XENOPHOBIA IS INFECTING THE UNIVERSE--
SO WHAT'S LIGHTNING LAD DOING HERE THIS TIME?
BUT THANKS TO EARTH-MAN, THEY'VE BEEN REMINDED--
--THEY MAKE EACH OTHER STRONGER.
BUT THE CRYSTAL TABLET I BURIED IN TIME AND LEFT FOR EARTH-MAN TO UNCOVER HAS DONE ITS DAMAGE.
HE BROUGHT ME HOME.
WHY HASN'T HE GONE BACK YET?

BECAUSE WE GOT TO TALKING. THAT'S ALL.
WHAT IF HE STEPS ON THE WRONG BUTTERFLY?
WITHOUT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FROM BRAINIAC 5, LIGHTNING LAD WON'T EVEN LEAVE THE FORTRESS.
LIGHTNING LAD IS AS EMOTIONALLY VOLATILE AS BATMAN IS DEVOID.
THEY COULDN'T BE MORE DIFFERENT.
I WONDER WHAT THAT'S LIKE. TO HAVE FRIENDS.
FRIENDS THAT AREN'T FRIENDS.

HE HAS TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO DO ANYTHING THAT WILL IMPACT OR CHANGE THE FUTURE.

CHANGE THE FUTURE? I THINK THE FUTURE'S ALWAYS CHANGING.
I'VE MET THREE DIFFERENT LEGIONS, CLARK.

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"WHEN THE JUSTICE LEAGUE FOUGHT MORDRU, WE WENT UP AGAINST THIS LIGHTNING LAD AND THE REST OF HIS TEAM. THEY WERE AS TOUGH AS THE LEAGUE.
WAY BACK IN JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA #149 --Matt!
"A SECOND LEGION, WILLING TO JUMP INTO THE FIRE, SHOWED UP WHEN EARTH'S SUN WAS THREATENING TO DIE OUT.
BACK IN FINAL NIGHT --Matt!
"AND I MET A THIRD TEAM WHEN HAL AND I WERE CHASING AFTER THE BOOK OF DESTINY. THOSE KIDS HAD ABSOLUTELY NO REGARD FOR ADULTS.
"SO EXPLAIN IT TO ME."
BRAVE & THE BOLD #5 --Matt!

YOU'VE DEALT WITH THE CRIME SYNDICATE AND THE JUSTICE SOCIETY'S SUPERMAN. YOU'VE SEEN DOPPELGANGERS--
NOT FROM THE FUTURE.
YEARS AGO, THE LEGION MET TWO OTHERS. BRAINY THEORIZED THEY WERE FROM PARALLEL EARTHS.
SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THREE WORLDS?
THERE'S MORE TO THIS THAN THAT, ISN'T THERE? I CAN HEAR IT IN YOUR HEARTBEAT, BRUCE.
YOU DIDN'T JUST COME BY TO SAY "HELLO," YOU'RE ON A CASE.
I THINK LIGHTNING LAD IS HERE BECAUSE HE KNEW WHAT I WAS GOING TO FIND IN THE STREETS OF GOTHAM CITY.
...CALLS HIMSELF A BAT AND HE DOESN'T EVEN FLY...
WHAT DID YOU FIND?
TWO BODIES.
"BOTH OF THEM WITH LEGION FLIGHT RINGS."

BATMAN SAID THEY WERE GOOD FRIENDS OF YOURS.
THEY'RE NOTHING BUT BREADCRUMBS NOW, COMMISSIONER.
BREADCRUMBS LEADING TO A COLLAPSE IN MORALE AND CONFIDENCE, LEADING DOWN A PATH A THOUSAND YEARS IN THE FUTURE.
THEY WERE, COMMISSIONER.
I JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW, SUPERMAN.
THEY'RE GONE.

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VAL ARMORR AND LUORNU DURGO.
KARATE KID AND DUO DAMSEL.
HER RING WAS IN HER HAND...
TWO MORE LEGIONNAIRES?
YES.
LUORNU HAD THE ABILITY TO BECOME THREE PEOPLE. ONE OF HER BODIES WAS KILLED WHEN WE WERE TEENAGERS. A SECOND ONE'S DEAD HERE...
...I ONLY HOPE THE LAST IS ALIVE AND WELL, BACK IN THE 31ST CENTURY.
SHE WAS ATTACKED BY SOMETHING. SHE DIDN'T DIE HERE.
AND THEY DIDN'T DIE TOGETHER. THEIR WOUNDS ARE INCONSISTENT.
VAL'S BLOOD IS LIKE OIL. HIS ORGANS HAVE BEEN EATEN AWAY BY SOME KIND OF VIRUS.
A VIRUS? FROM THE FUTURE? DO WE NEED TO QUARANTINE--?
NO. IT'S DEAD.
WHO DID IT, SUPERMAN?!

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KRAKOOM
WHO KILLED THEM?!
IT'S THE ELECTROCUTIONER!
FREEZE!
KRAKOOM
DON'T AIM THOSE THINGS AT ME.
STOP IT.
STOP WHAT?
THEY'RE COPS.
I DON'T LIKE COPS MUCH ANYMORE.
ESPECIALLY HUMAN ONES.

I'M SORRY, OFFICERS.
HE'S WITH ME.
I THOUGHT YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO WAIT IN THE FORTRESS.
NOT WHEN TWO LEGIONNAIRES HAVE BEEN MURDERED. BRAINY SAID VAL WAS SEARCHING FOR A CURE TO AN ANCIENT DISEASE.
BUT HE NEVER SAID VAL WAS SEARCHING IN THE PAST. OR THAT LLORNU WENT WITH HIM.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
KAZZAT
I PICKED UP THE FLIGHT RINGS' SIGNALS. I FOLLOWED YOU--
STOP.
GO BACK TO YOUR OWN TIME. THIS CENTURY'S UNDER OUR JURISDICTION.
HEY. WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?
MY PROBLEM'S WITH YOU. I DON'T TRUST TIME TRAVELERS.
BECAUSE WE KNOW MORE THAN YOU?
BECAUSE YOU THINK YOU DO.
TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU, THE PAST IS JUST PICTURES IN A POP-UP BOOK. IT'S DISNEYLAND AND YOU GET TO MEET ALL YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTERS.
AND LEAST FAVORITE.

GARTH--
GRIFE, DOES HE EVEN CARE THAT THEY WERE YOUR FRIENDS?
YOU DON'T ATTACK COPS. THIS IS A DIFFERENT TIME AND A DIFFERENT WORLD.
ALL RIGHT?
YOU SOUND LIKE COSMIC BOY, YOU KNOW THAT?
WE NEED TO GET ON THIS, KAL. WE NEED TO BRING WHOEVER DID THIS TO JUSTICE.
REMEMBER WHAT I ALWAYS SAID ABOUT JUSTICE?
YOU GOTTA STRIKE HARD AND STRIKE FAS--
KKEEKKEE
KKEEKKEE
KKEEKKEE
WHAT'S THAT SOUND?
IT'S THE LEGION DISTRESS SIGNAL.
THERE'S ONE OTHER LEGIONNAIRE IN OUR TIME. HE'S ACTIVATED IT.
WHO HAS?
THOM KALLOR.

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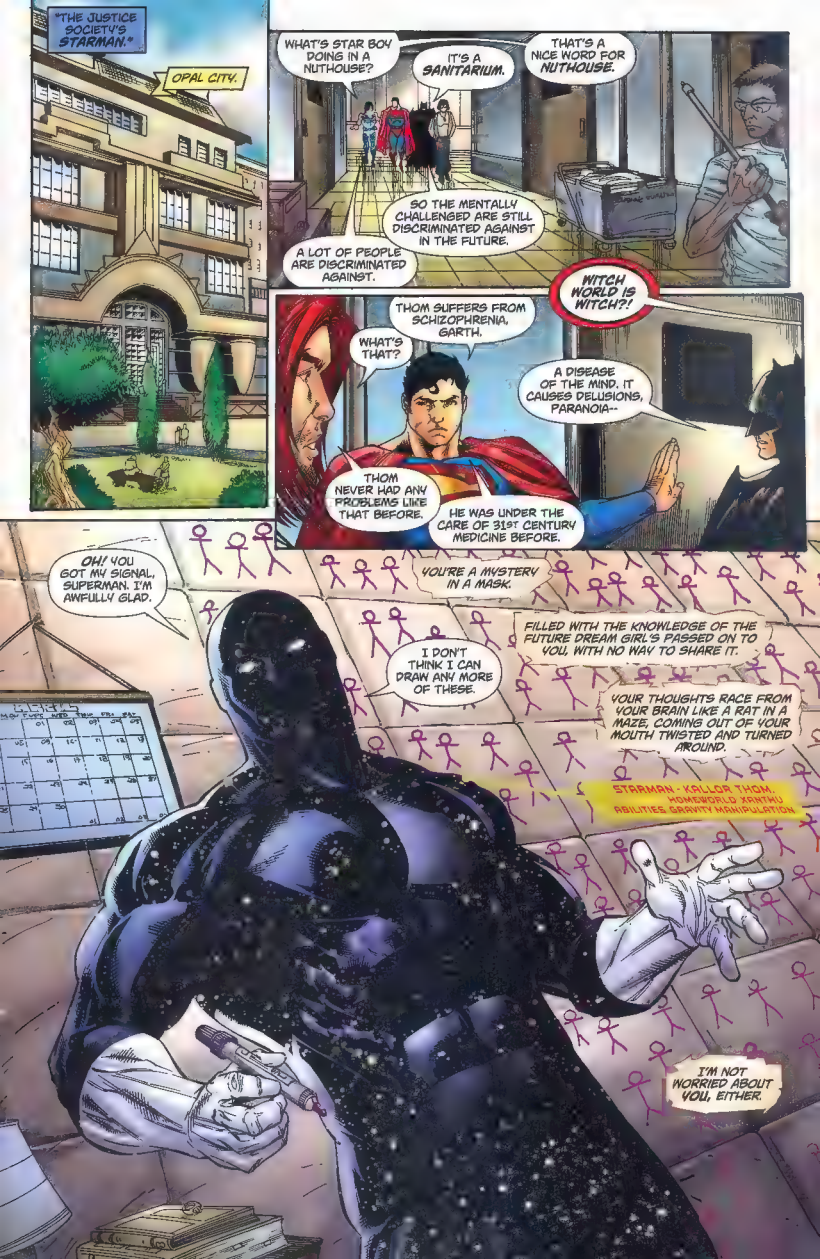
"THE JUSTICE SOCIETY'S STARMAN."
OPAL CITY.
WHAT'S STAR BOY DOING IN A NUTHOUSE?
IT'S A SANITARIUM.
THAT'S A NICE WORD FOR NUTHOUSE.
SO THE MENTALLY CHALLENGED ARE STILL DISCRIMINATED AGAINST IN THE FUTURE.
A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST.
WITCH WORLD IS WITCH?!
THOM SUFFERS FROM SCHIZOPHRENIA, GARTH.
WHAT'S THAT?
A DISEASE OF THE MIND. IT CAUSES DELUSIONS, PARANOIA--
THOM NEVER HAD ANY PROBLEMS LIKE THAT BEFORE.
HE WAS UNDER THE CARE OF 31ST CENTURY MEDICINE BEFORE.
OH! YOU GOT MY SIGNAL, SUPERMAN. I'M AWFULLY GLAD.
YOU'RE A MYSTERY IN A MASK.
I DON'T THINK I CAN DRAW ANY MORE OF THESE.
FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE FUTURE DREAM GIRL'S PASSED ON TO YOU, WITH NO WAY TO SHARE IT.
YOUR THOUGHTS RACE FROM YOUR BRAIN LIKE A RAT IN A MAZE, COMING OUT OF YOUR MOUTH TWISTED AND TURNED AROUND.
STARMAN - KALLOR THOM. HOMEWORLD XANTHU ABILITIES: GRAVITY MANIPULATION
I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT YOU, EITHER.

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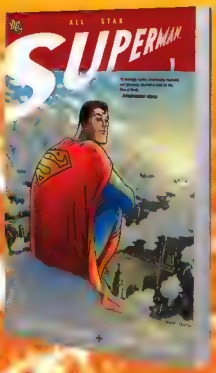

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THOM? WHAT ARE YOU STILL DOING BACK HERE?
LIGHTNING LAD?!
ARE YOU THE LIGHTNING BRAINIAC 5 TOLD ME ABOUT? OFF TO SAVE THE UNIVERSE--
--FROM YOU-KNOW-WHO?
THOM WAS PART OF THE SQUAD THAT CAME BACK TO HELP THE FLASHES.
BUT HE SHOULDN'T HAVE STAYED.
IN THIS PREHISTORIC PRISON? IN THIS TIME PERIOD?
HE WANTS TO STAY.
WITH A HALF DOZEN SCREWS LOOSE, HE'LL END UP LIKE VAL AND LUORNU.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT LUORNU, LIGHTNING MAN. TRIPLICATE! DUO! UNA!
WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO HER!
BUT KARATE KID IS DEAD. AGAIN.
THAT'S WHY I SIGNALED YOU, SUPERMAN. I WANTED TO TELL YOU. KARATE KID DIDN'T DIE IN THAT ALLEY. HE DIED TRYING TO FIND A CURE FOR HIS ILLNESS.
BUT SOMETIMES ILLNESSES HAVE NO CURE.
SOMETIMES THE DEAD STAY DEAD.
IF ONLY IT WERE THAT EASY, STAR BOY.

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SOMEBODY WHO DOESN'T LIKE YOU VERY MUCH, BATMAN. SOMEBODY WHO WANTED TO SAY GOODBYE TO YOU.
AND SAY HELLO TO SUPERMAN AND THE LEGION.
IT'S ON THE TIP OF MY BRAIN, YOU KNOW.
WHAT IS?
DREAM GIRL SAID HE WAS GOING TO START THE LEGION WAR.
BUT THAT ISN'T MY FIGHT. MY FIGHT'S HERE. WITH THE JUSTICE SOCIETY. IN OPAL.
I THINK I'LL GET A NEW SECRET IDENTITY. MAYBE I'LL WEAR GLASSES.
OR GET A SIDEKICK.
I'M GOING TO NAME MYSELF AFTER MY FAVORITE PULP ADVENTURER FROM XANTHU!
I'M GOING TO CALL MYSELF DANNY BLAINE.
HERE! MY GRAVITY POWERS CAN MAKE ART, TOO!
KRAK
KRRAKGH
YOU CAN HANG IT IN YOUR FORTRESS! A DANNY BLAINE ORIGINAL.
HAVE FUN IN THE 21ST CENTURY.
IT'S GOING TO BE ONE GIANT "NUTHOUSE."

I KNOW YOU FEEL IT, SUPERMAN. YOU GLANCED OVER YOUR SHOULDER.
A SHIVER UP YOUR SPINE.
NOT EVEN LUTHOR CAN DO THAT, CAN HE? I CAN.
SOMEONE'S MESSING WITH US. BIG TIME.
THEY MIGHT NOT'VE KILLED THEM, BUT THEY LEFT THEIR BODIES FOR US TO FIND.
I DID.
THEY'RE TRYING TO RATTLE OUR CAGES.
I BETTER GET THEM HOME, AND GET THEIR MEMORIALS UP ON SHANGHALLA.
THIS ON TOP OF EVERYTHING ELSE THE LEGION IS DEALING WITH.
I TOLD YOU BEFORE I CAME BACK, IF YOU NEED ME, YOU LET ME KNOW.
YOU GOT ENOUGH PROBLEMS, KAL.
BESIDES THE INSANITY WITH US, I KNOW WHAT ELSE YOU'VE BEEN GOING THROUGH LATELY.
IT'S TIME YOU GOT BACK TO YOUR LIFE HERE.
AND BEFORE I GO, I WANT TO SAY SOMETHING TO BATMAN.

THIS ISN'T MY TIME PERIOD, EARTH ISN'T EVEN WHERE I'M FROM, AND I...APOLOGIZE IF I PISSED YOU OFF.
BUT I'M NOT GOING TO APOLOGIZE FOR GETTING UPSET. I CAN GET A LITTLE LOUD, BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE I CARE.
YOU MIGHT WANT TO TRY GETTING A LITTLE LOUD ONCE IN AWHILE.
I KNOW WE HAVEN'T SPENT A LOT OF TIME TOGETHER SINCE WE WERE KIDS, KAL, BUT TODAY...
...LIKE BEFORE ALL THE CRAZINESS...
IT WAS REALLY GOOD TO CATCH UP.
YOU ALWAYS THANKED US FOR "TEACHING" YOU HOW TO FLY BETTER AND USE YOUR POWERS AND WHATEVER.
BUT YOU TAUGHT US, TAUGHT ME, ABOUT WHAT WAS RIGHT AND WRONG.
YOU WERE MORE LIKE A BROTHER TO ME THAN MEKT EVER WAS.
THANKS, GARTH.

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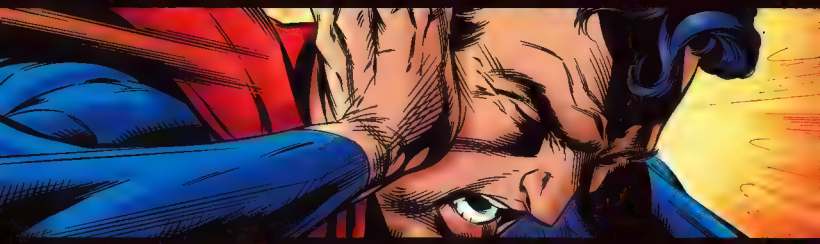

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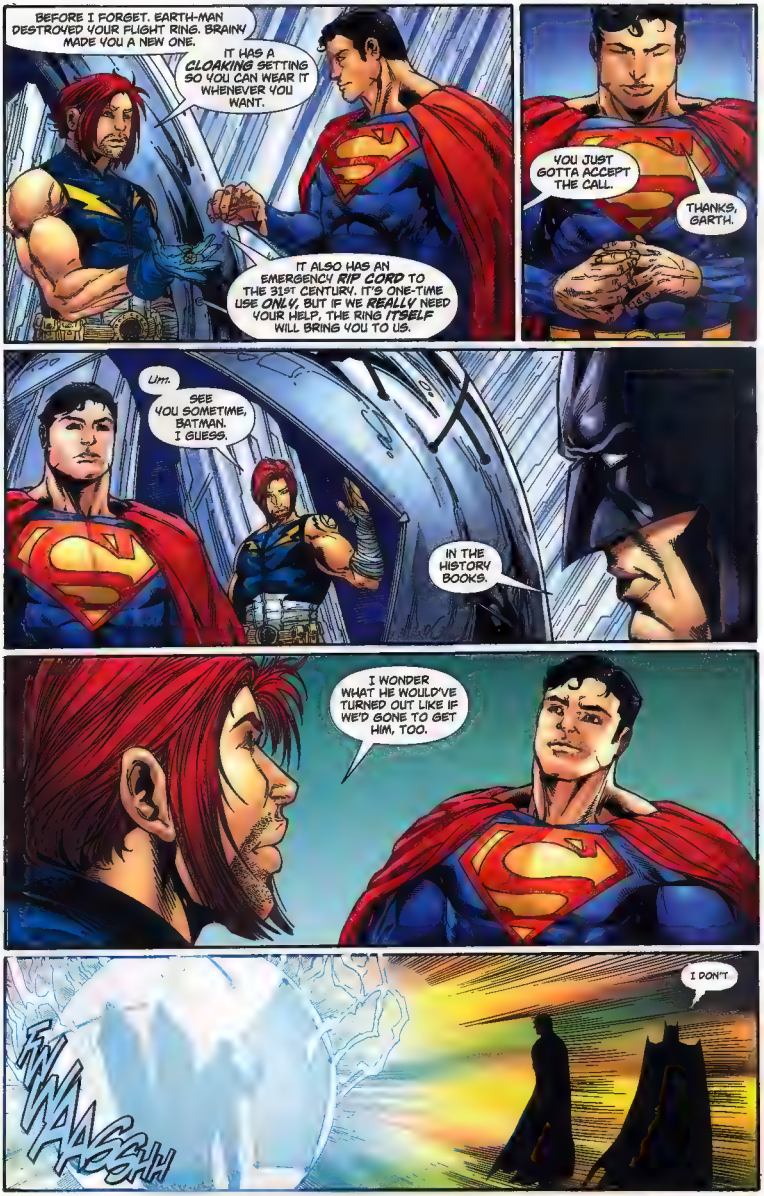
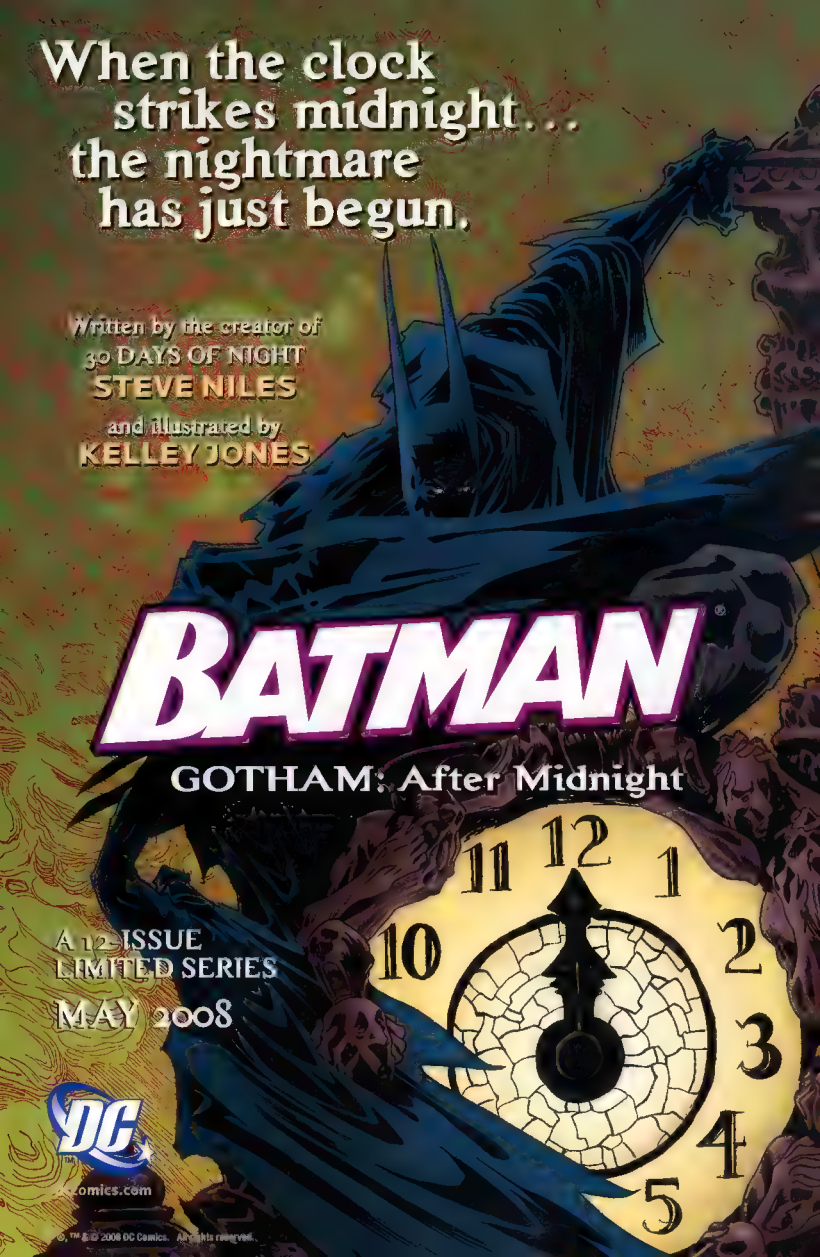

BEFORE I FORGET. EARTH-MAN DESTROYED YOUR FLIGHT RING. BRAINY MADE YOU A NEW ONE.
IT HAS A CLOAKING SETTING SO YOU CAN WEAR IT WHENEVER YOU WANT.
IT ALSO HAS AN EMERGENCY RIP CORD TO THE 31ST CENTURY. IT'S ONE-TIME USE ONLY, BUT IF WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP, THE RING ITSELF WILL BRING YOU TO US.
YOU JUST GOTTA ACCEPT THE CALL.
THANKS, GARTH.
UM.
SEE YOU SOMETIME, BATMAN. I GUESS.
IN THE HISTORY BOOKS.
I WONDER WHAT HE WOULD'VE TURNED OUT LIKE IF WE'D GONE TO GET HIM, TOO.
I DON'T.
FWAASH!

SO YOU TWO GOT INTO... TROUBLE?
YOU? TROUBLE?
BARTH TAUGHT ME SOMETIMES RULES HAD TO BE BROKEN.
SOMETIMES JUST FOR FUN.
CLOAKING MODE ACTIVATE.
WHEN WE'D HANG OUT TOGETHER, COS AND THE GANG WOULD SAY WE WERE "A LIGHTNING ROD FOR TROUBLE."
ONE OF YOUR FINER MOMENTS GROWING UP?
IT WAS.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE HISTORY BOOKS CALL US IN THE 31ST CENTURY, BRUCE?

SUPERMAN AND BATMAN--THE WORLD'S FINEST.
OH, KAL. THEY BARELY REMEMBER BATMAN.
YOU HAVE STRANGE TASTE IN FRIENDS.
CLARK.
GOODBYE, BATMAN.
HELLO, SUPERMAN.
MY BLIND SPOT IN TIME.
IF I CAN'T ERASE YOU FROM HISTORY--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As I mentioned in an earlier column, the Zero book is called DC Universe for a reason. This book is the bridge from COUNTDOWN TO FINAL CRISIS and other series to FINAL CRISIS; FINAL CRISIS: LEGION OF THREE WORLDS; FINAL CRISIS: REVELATIONS; BATMAN R.I.P.; GREEN LANTERN: BLACKEST NIGHT PRELUDE and more. This is not just one event but many, each intense and exciting in its own right, but together they showcase everything that is great about the DCU.

Building events this big and making a book this important does not happen overnight. Besides the creators involved in Zero, there are so many more working to make each and every book and series the best it can be. Some of these stories are literally years in the making, and soon you will see why this crisis is the Final Crisis.

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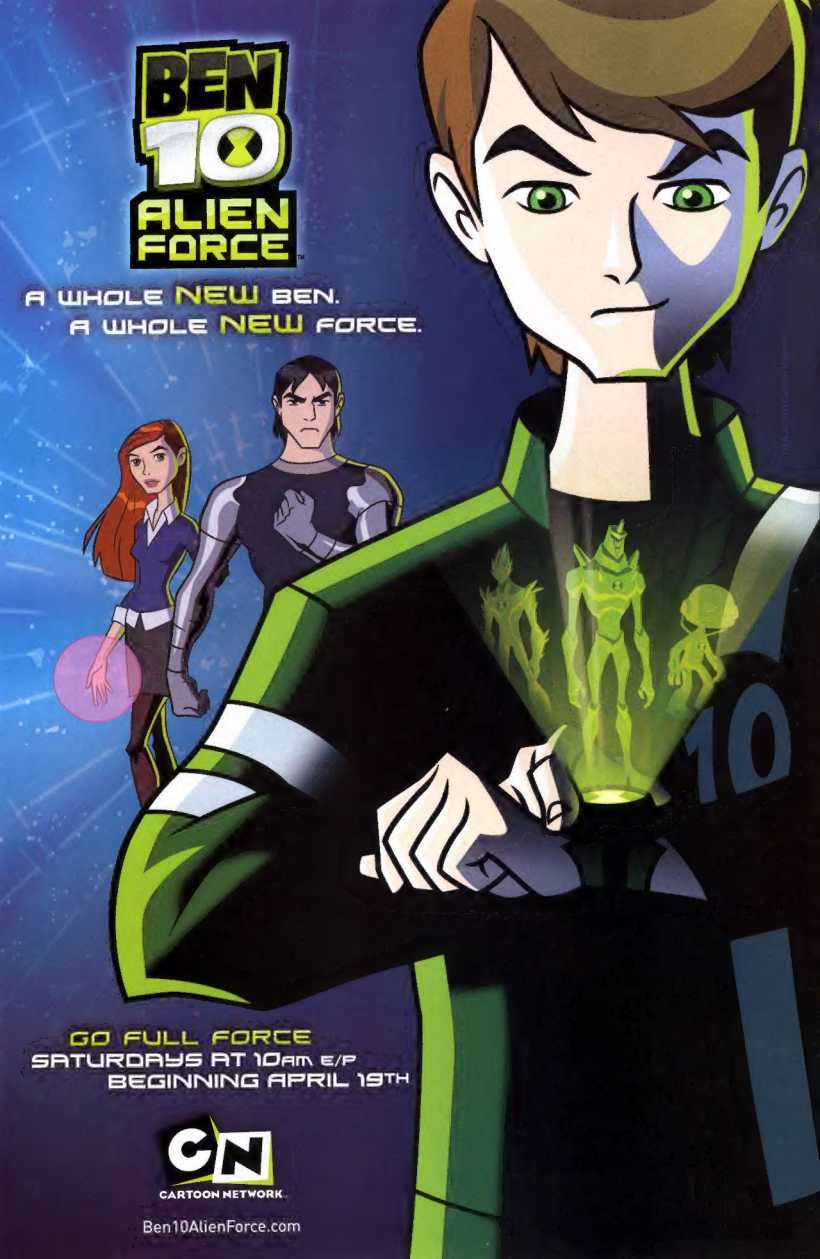
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LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES